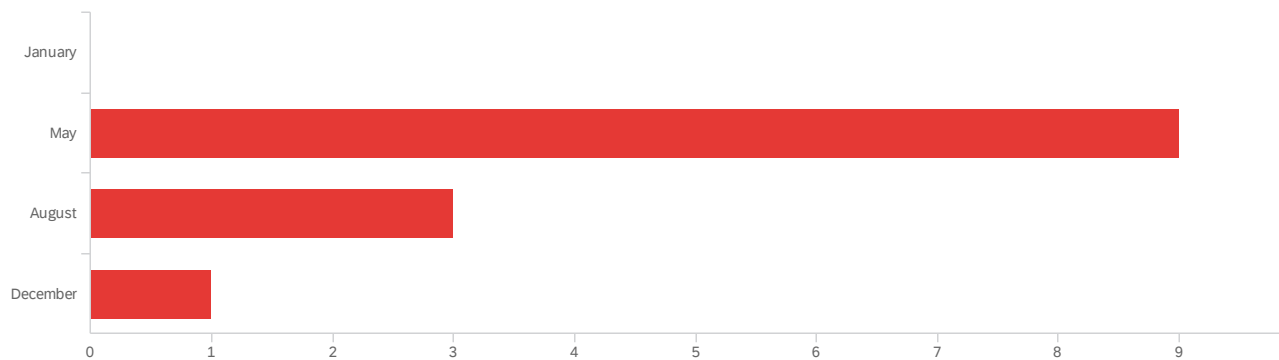


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Alumni Counseling Satisfaction Survey 2022 Spring

August 1, 2022 8:39 AM CDT

Q1 - What month did you complete your counseling degree?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	January	0.00% 0
2	May	69.23% 9
3	August	23.08% 3
4	December	7.69% 1

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Q16 - What year did you complete your counseling degree?

What year did you complete your counseling degree?

2008

2022

2020

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1998

2015

2020

2021

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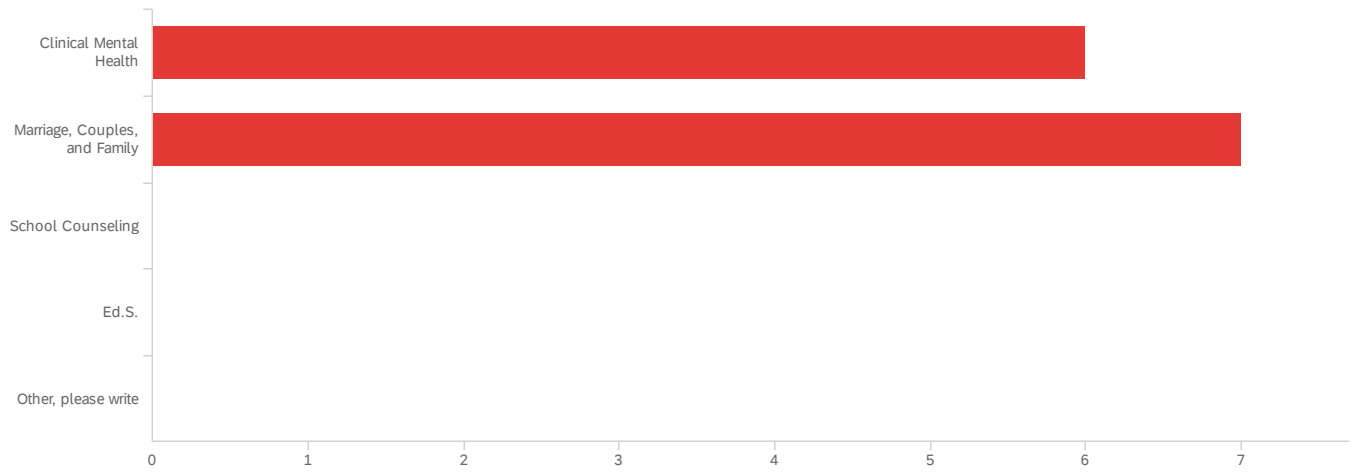
2008

2014

2014

2021

Q2 - What program track did you complete?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Clinical Mental Health	46.15% 6
2	Marriage, Couples, and Family	53.85% 7
3	School Counseling	0.00% 0
4	Ed.S.	0.00% 0
5	Other, please write	0.00% 0
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Other, please write

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Q20 - Why did you choose the Department of Counseling and Student Affairs at WKU for your counseling degree? Please be as specific as possible.

Why did you choose the Department of Counseling and Student Affairs at WKU...

Because I wanted to stay in BG

Location

Location, affordable tuition

recommended by a professor in another department

I chose this program because I wanted a program that would provide me in depth training in counseling skills.

The faculty and staff, the GA opportunity and, the nostalgia of going to school in my hometown.

Meeting the professors during the interview process locked it in for me; they engaged with one another as a team, they seemed extremely excited for the experience, they were honest about the positives of the program as well as the potential difficulties and how they could offer support.

It was local, CACREP-accredited and it wasn't pastoral counseling or faith-based. I'm an alum of WKU for undergrad so it was an easy transition.

WKU was in my hometown and had a good counseling program.

CACREP and GA possibilities.

Availability of classes, offering of online, in person evening classes, and weekend classes. I was able to attend school and work at the same time.

The professors and the information I found on them.

Q21 - What were your reasons for seeking a degree in counseling?

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Wanting to help people

Wanting to help others

Transition to role of professional counselor

to get licensed and have a career

I wanted to pursue counseling as a career

Because I knew the power of my own therapeutic healing and journey and wanted to hold that space for others

Was drawn to it from high school and personal experiences with counseling

To help others, to have a career that I would be interested in over a long period of time, because I'm a curious person, I like people.

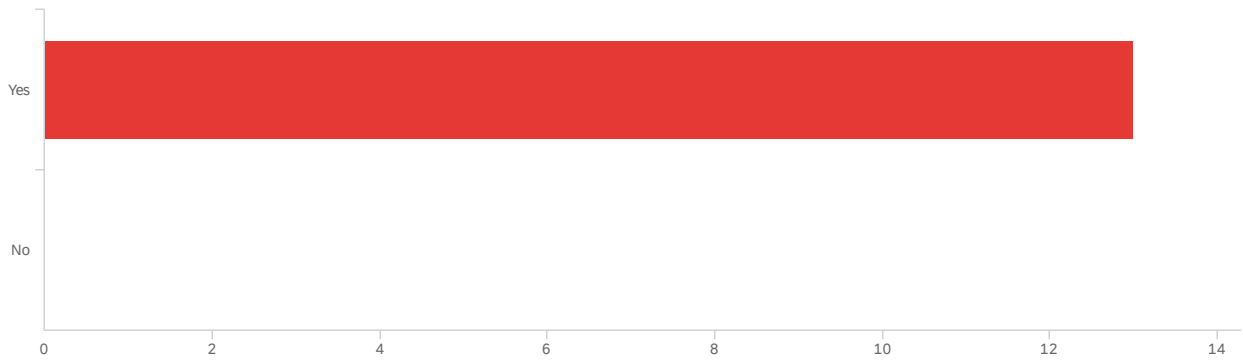
I had been pursuing a degree in psychology but felt that the defining characteristics of counseling fit better with my personal ideals and convictions.

Help individuals and families.

I was in the field in residential and direct care staff and it seemed to be a natural progression. I found counseling by accident but I am fortunate the department aided me in developing the skill set I already possessed.

It was something that I have wanted since I was very young. I've been drawn to serve people all my life and it felt like the right path for me

Q4 - Are you currently employed in a clinical and/or counseling-related job?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Yes	100.00% 13
2	No	0.00% 0

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Q19 - What is the title of your counseling position?

What is the title of your counseling position?

Behavioral health specialist 2/ Intern

Counselor

clinical director, therapist, program manager

LPCC-S

Clinical Counselor

LPC-MHSP TEMP Licensed therapist

LPCA

Owner of virtual private practice

Clinical Director

Clinical Supervision Leader

Mental Health Therapist (dual/diagnosis therapist) , LPCC-S

LPCA- Independent Counselor

Q5 - In what state are you currently employed?

In what state are you currently employed?

KY

Kentucky

KY

Kentucky

Kentucky

Tennessee

Kentucky

KY

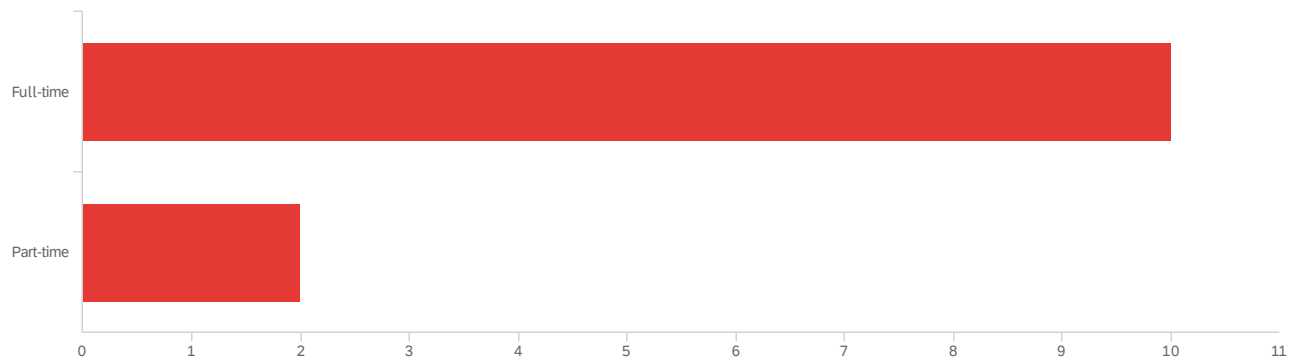
KY

IN

Kentucky

Ky

Q6 - Is your current counseling-related job full-time or part-time?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Full-time	83.33% 10
2	Part-time	16.67% 2

12

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Q7 - How many MONTHS did it take to find employment in a counseling-related job after you graduated (e.g., 1.5)?

How many MONTHS did it take to find employment in a counseling-related job...

I'm not graduated yet but I've already been offered one

1

0

none, went into job from internship

I had a job secured before graduating my last semester

1

0

I waited a year to get licensed in KY. Then it took less than a month to find a job.

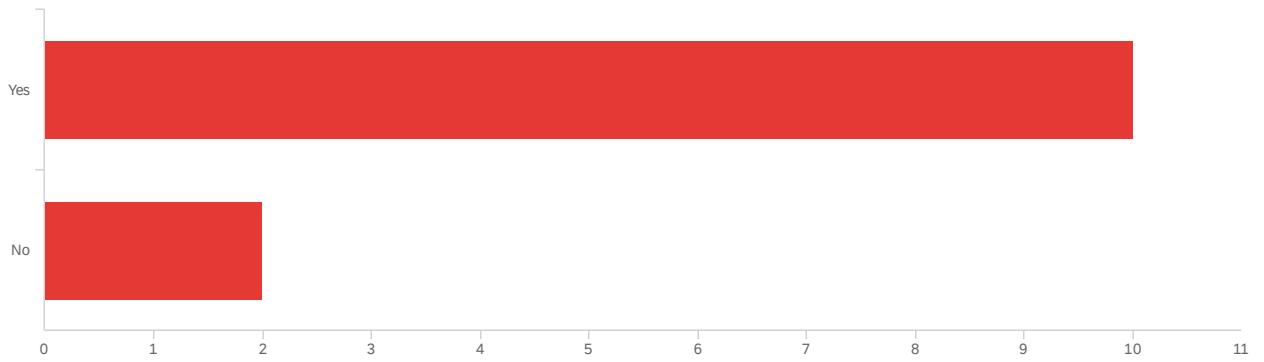
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5 months

I was already in a location that I like transition so it occurred immediately.

0- I was hired by the site I interned with.

Q8 - Have you taken the National Certified Counselor exam?

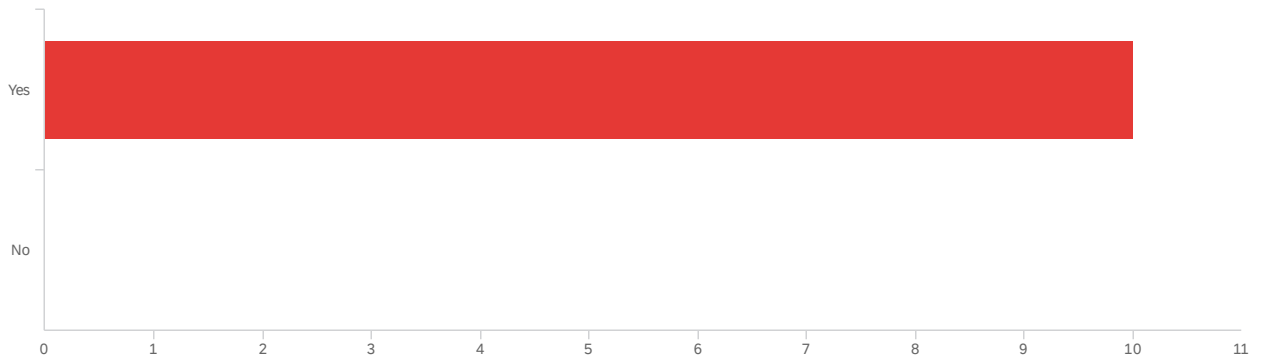


#	Field	Choice Count
1	Yes	83.33% 10
2	No	16.67% 2

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Q9 - If so, did you pass it?

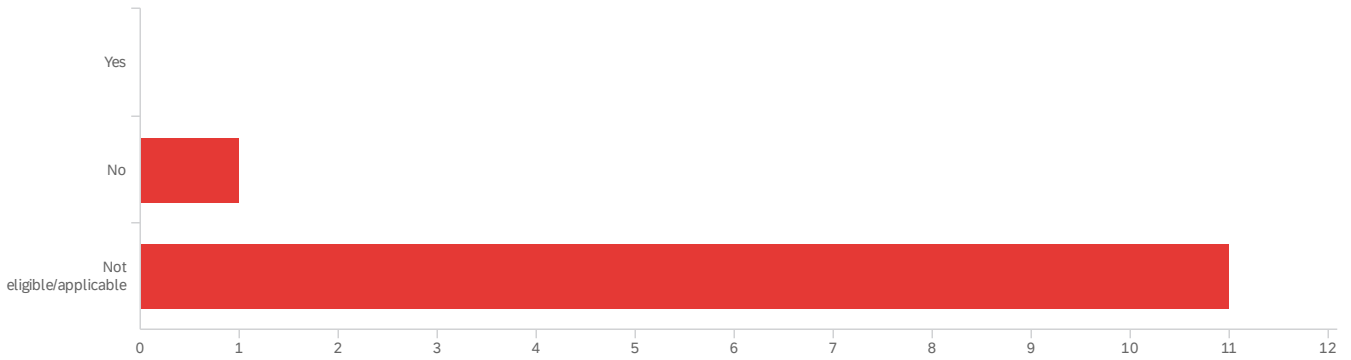


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1	Yes	100.00% 10
2	No	0.00% 0

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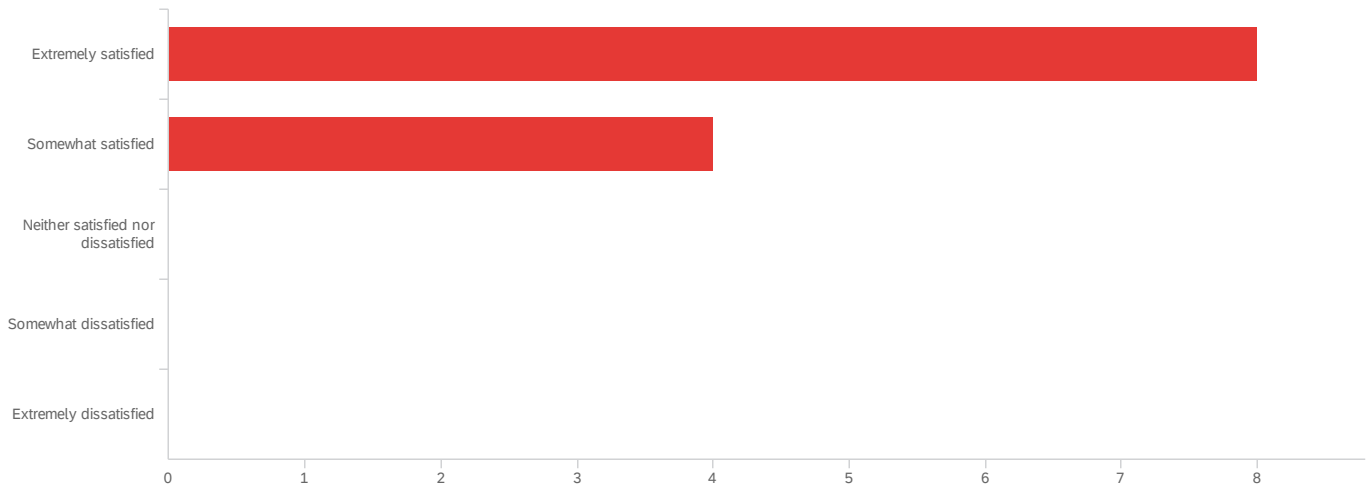
Q10 - If you were eligible to become a school counselor, did you take obtain your School Counseling certification?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Yes	0.00% 0
2	No	8.33% 1
3	Not eligible/applicable	91.67% 11
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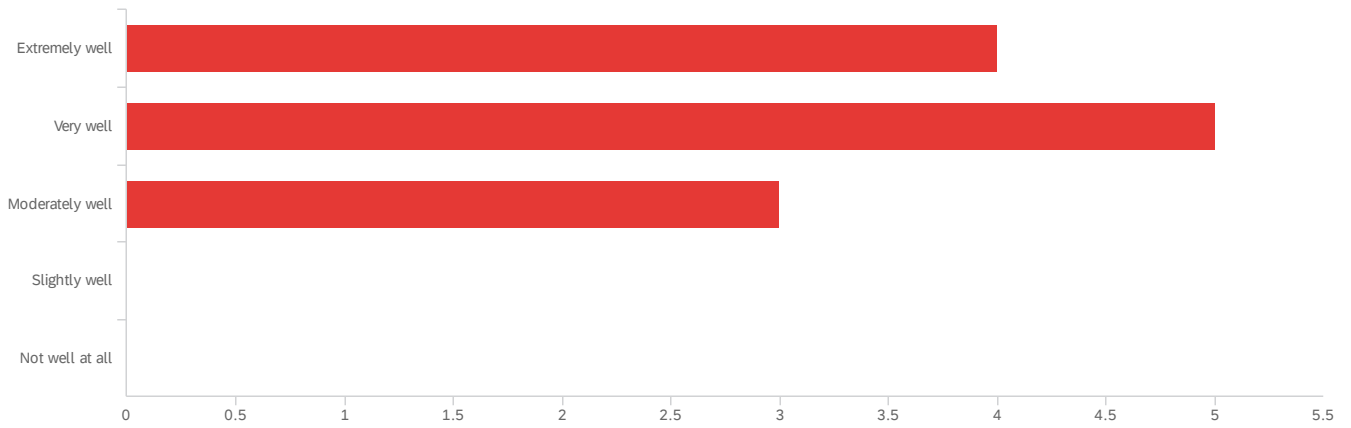
Q11 - How satisfied are you with your experience in the WKU counseling program?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Extremely satisfied	66.67% 8
2	Somewhat satisfied	33.33% 4
3	Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied	0.00% 0
4	Somewhat dissatisfied	0.00% 0
5	Extremely dissatisfied	0.00% 0
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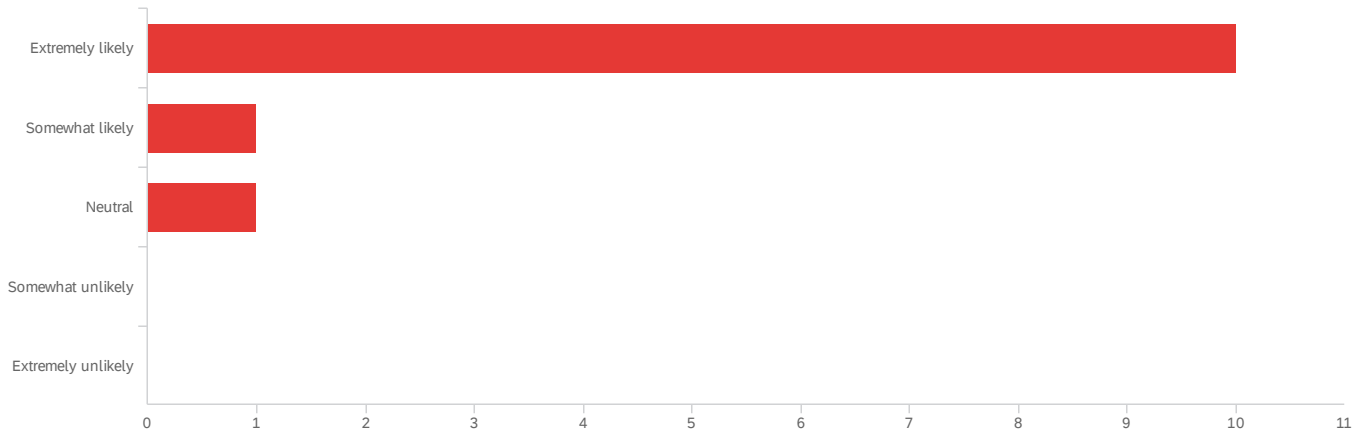
Q12 - How well did WKU counseling program prepare you for working in the field?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Extremely well	33.33% 4
2	Very well	41.67% 5
3	Moderately well	25.00% 3
4	Slightly well	0.00% 0
5	Not well at all	0.00% 0
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Q13 - How likely are you to recommend the WKU counseling program for aspiring counselors?



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Extremely likely	83.33% 10
2	Somewhat likely	8.33% 1
3	Neutral	8.33% 1
4	Somewhat unlikely	0.00% 0
5	Extremely unlikely	0.00% 0
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Q14 - From your experience, what would you say are the greatest strengths of the WKU counseling program?

From your experience, what would you say are the greatest strengths of the...

Professors are very flexible if you approach them with a concern, etc. I've had a few professors that you can tell are very passionate about teaching and counseling. They were able to hold me to high standard and provide curriculum that gave me a sense of satisfaction and knowledge that stuck with me

Ethics and problem solving

faculty focused on developing skilled counselors from specific theoretical orientation(s)

I had a great connection with the staff and staff appeared caring and wanted me to succeed

It teaches you how to have good foundation for counseling, our program have better prepared students for the field and have been chosen for jobs over other programs

The professors were a great strength!

Support, the honesty from the professors, group counseling course where we practiced and engaged

The teachers and the cohort model allowed me To develop close friendships

development of professional identity; ethics; the importance of self care

Small classes and hands on faculty members. Taking the NBCC prior to graduation.

The faculty and depth of their experience. Experiential learning in classes was also helpful.

CACREP Accreditation, professors that are diverse in their modalities and representation of the counseling profession, strong sense of belonging and inclusion, class schedule that allows students to work while going through grad school.

Q15 - What suggestions for improvements would you recommend for the WKU counseling program?

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I'm going to be hated for this, but I think if we had more tests then we would be better equipped for the NCE and comps. Or at least in person quizzes that make it impossible for students to refer to their books or notes during them. In person class as much as possible. Zoom is convenient but it takes away from the learning experience and is almost impossible not to be distracted in

More options for trainings and specializations.

emphasize practice application

any way to experience more "real life" counseling sessions

To have more training in treatment planning and reality of private practice. Teach students about no compete clauses and self advocacy

A more in depth theories class.

Heavier details and hands-on practice of note taking for insurance

More focus on the real-world stress of being a therapist. How shocking and hard it is to be an LPCA and dive in. More info on marketing ourselves and private practice information.

documentation and paperwork

Having alumni come back and speak to current students.

None. Unless you want to offer a PhD program that offers counselor educator!

Perhaps more speakers in classes that specialize in various demographics. I attended during covid so perhaps there would have been more speakers had we not been dealing with the pandemic but that would be my only recommendation at this time.

Q17 - We love staying connected with you! Please share your updated email.

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